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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 enclosed are  
copies of six references listed on a PTO-1449 Form attached  
hereto.

The references were cited in a European Search Report  
dated April 22, 2002, a copy of which is enclosed as well.

As concerns the only non-English-language reference,  
German patent document No. 195 30 310, attention is invited  
to the four-column second page of the European Search Report  
where the reference is listed in the second column as the  
second item. The reference was given the international  
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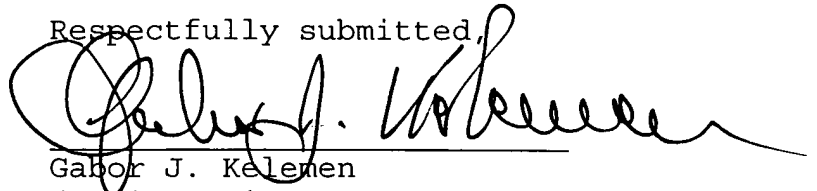
By providing an English-language version of the German Office action the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance of non-English-language references is deemed to be satisfied.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted presumably before the mailing date of the first Office action on the merits. In the event that an Office action on the merits was mailed on or before the day this Statement is submitted, the undersigned, based on the issue date of the European Search Report, hereby certifies that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was, on information and belief, first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.

Since all the requirements of Rules 97 and 98 have been complied with, the Examiner is requested to consider the references on their merit and return a copy of the PTO-1449

Form indicating with his/her initials that the references  
were considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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